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Summary by the President of the General Assembly of the High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development

Corrigendum

Paragraph 1

The paragraph *should read*:

1. More than 190 Governments, many at the ministerial level, along with 35 intergovernmental organizations, some represented by their most senior officers, and 50 civil society stakeholders from the business sector, academia and non-governmental organizations came together on 29 and 30 October 2003 in the General Assembly to participate in the first High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development. I was pleased to be presiding when for the first time ever the President of the World Bank and the Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the Deputy Director-General of the World Trade Organization addressed the General Assembly in plenary session. Also addressing the Assembly were the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the President of the Economic and Social Council, the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, as well as the Vice-President of the Asian Development Bank and the Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia.

Paragraph 5

The paragraph *should read*:

5. I hope that the discussions in the round tables on 29 October and in the interactive dialogue on 30 October, which were very rich, will bear practical fruit in the follow-up that the Assembly will undertake during November. It is clear from listening to the Dialogue that participants found useful the assessments in the report of the Secretary-General (A/58/216) and I wish to express appreciation to him and his staff, particularly the Financing for

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Development Office of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, for the report. Many speakers referred to the recommendations contained in the report, as well as to ideas of their own, leaving us with a rich basis for our further work. In the same vein, the summary by the President of the Economic and Social Council of the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization (New York, 14 April 2003) (see A/58/77-E/2003/62) provided an important input to the Dialogue and its follow-up.